

REMARKS

In response to the Examiner's arguments presented in "Continuation of 5." on page 2 of the Office Action, Applicant's respectfully disagree.

Sato teaches the use of a metal foil within the production of a ceramic sintered body. The sintered body of Sato is porous, and contains permeable pores. These pores are filled with a resin. Nishikawa, on the other hand, does not teach the preparation of a porous ceramic body (with low density), but rather the preparation of a high density ceramic body. Hence, there is no reason why the skilled artisan would be motivated to combine the references.

Applicant's also note that the instant invention is not "capable of" being sued within a "high-frequency module", but rather is a microwave module with a ceramic body in which the body is a substance for a high-frequency module.

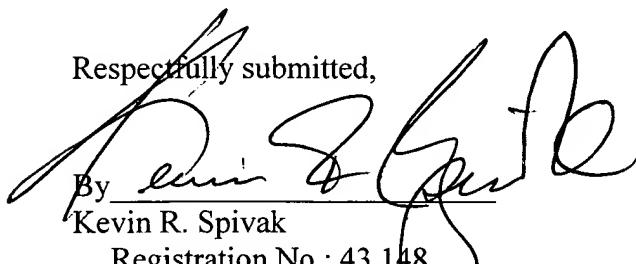
In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue. If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection

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